

- 14                    iv)    the rakes and the hoes each being sized and shaped to be  
15                    manipulated through the gutter and beneath the spikes  
16                    responsive to manipulation of the rod by the workman,  
17                    b) the workman using the long rod and rake to collect leaves and debris  
18                    in the gutter by pushing the long rod and rake under a plurality of  
19                    spikes and over the leaves and debris to a desired point and then  
20                    pulling the rake against the leaves and debris to move them under  
21                    said plurality of spikes to within reach of the workman's scoop,  
22                    c) the workman using the long rod and hoe to collect debris remaining in  
23                    the gutter after raking in the leaves and debris between the workman  
24                    and said desired point by pushing the long rod and hoe under said  
25                    plurality of spikes and over the remaining debris and then pulling the  
26                    hoe against the remaining debris to move it under said plurality of  
27                    spikes to within reach of the workman's scoop, and  
28                    d) the workman using the short rod with its rake and hoe to collect  
29                    leaves and debris by moving the short rod and its rake or hoe beneath  
30                    spikes too close to the workman for effective use of the long rod.

31                    **Remarks**

32                    Claims 13-15 have been cancelled.  
33                    Claim 16 has been corrected in the manner suggested by the Examiner.  
34                    It is respectfully submitted that the application is now in condition for  
35                    allowance with Claim 16.

36                    Respectfully submitted,

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